**Mr. President.**—It was only after orders were passed.

**Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar** *(Urakam).*—Is not the Government aware that a large section of Ezhuvas were against the creation of separate electorates? I want to know whether Government received the deputation and heard their representations before they actually passed orders.

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—No.

**Mr. E. Ikkanda Warriar** *(Urakam).*—May I know why the Government did not do that? What is the use of hearing a deputation after orders are passed? Why did they not think it necessary to hear the deputation before orders on the Franchise Committee report were passed?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—They did not apply sufficiently early.

**Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty** *(Anthikad).*—How many days before passing the final orders did they apply?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—I want notice.

**Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—As far as the Ezhuvas are concerned, may I know by whom was the representation made? Was it from the Thiyya Mahajana Sabbha or from individuals?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—I cannot say whether it is from the Thiyya Mahajana Sabbha or not.

**Mr. V. K. Krishnankutty** *(Anthikad).*—Was it not a letter from the Secretary of the Thiyya Mahajana Sabba?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—May be.

## Franchise Committee Report — protests regarding.

4. **Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty** *(Pazhanji).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether they have received any petitions, representations or resolutions from the public of the State protesting against the Franchise Committee Report before they finally passed orders on the same;

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(b) if so, whether they have duly considered those protests, and how they have disposed of them?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—

(a) Yes.

(b) All the representations were duly considered before orders were passed.

**Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty** *(Pazhanji).*—With reference to (b) was any information given by the Government to the respective parties in regard to the petitions sent by them?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—I do not know whether they can be styled as petitioners. Orders on the Franchise Committee Report were passed and published in the Gazette. There were representations made before the Government and orders were passed and published in the Gazette.

**Mr. T.C. Iyyukkutty** *(Pazhanji).*—Were petitions received by the Government?

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—I do not know whether they can be called petitions. There were representations made by several bodies.

**Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty** *(Pazhanji).*—My question is whether there was any representation by means of a petition.

**Mr. President.**—What is the difference between a petition and a representation?

**Mr. T. C. Iyyukutty** *(Pazhanji).*—As a matter of fact I know that a petition was sent from that part. I want to know how the Government disposed of that petition.

**Mr. K. P. Kannan Nayar** *(Secretary to Government).*—The orders that were published in the Gazette will show how they were disposed of.

**Mr. A. V. Moothedan** *(Chalakkudi).*—It is said here in (b) that all representations were duly considered. I find in yesterday's Gazette that there is another order. What is the necessity of making a further order if all representations were duly considered?

## Colour box system—introduction of.

**5. Mr. P. Kumaran Ezhuthassan** *(Wadakkancheri).*—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

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